The <u>Connecticut Department of Transportation</u> and <u>CTTransit</u> will receive \$7 million under the Recovery Act to purchase new hybrid-electric buses that will run routes in Hartford, New Haven, and Stamford and to provide stationary fuel cells to power the state's bus maintenance and storage facilities.

<u>The Recovery Act</u> continues to put our nation on the path toward economic stability by helping us transition to a clean energy economy and create new jobs here at home- all while ending our dangerous dependence of foreign energy sources.

The transition from diesel to hybrid electric powered buses is a smart decision both economically and environmentally. Hybrids are 40% more fuel-efficient than diesel and produce 30% less carbon dioxide.

Congressman John Larson said, "With this funding, Connecticut will boost its economy and continue to be a national leader in the creation of green jobs and the utilization of clean energy technology."

A co-founder of the House Hydrogen Fuel Cell Caucus and member of the <u>House Committee</u> on <u>Energy Independence and Global Warming</u>

, Congressman Larson has long championed fuel cell technology and its overall benefits to Connecticut's and our nation's economy. He was influential in securing federal funding for a Zero Emission Hydrogen Fuel Cell powered bus

, the first of its kind in New England.